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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
HEIKO MAAS, ET AL. : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. APPLICATION :  
FILED: HERewith :  
FOR: PROCESS FOR THE :  
PREPARATION OF SURFACTANT :  
ALCOHOLS AND SURFACTANT :  
ALCOHOL ETHERS, THE :  
PREPARED PRODUCTS AND :  
THEIR USE :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.